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Alleged Burglar Charged with Glendale Sexual Assault

An Azusa man was charged today with breaking into a Glendale home and sexually assaulting a woman, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Justine Amador Rios (dob 1/5/97) faces two counts of forcible oral copulation and one count each of sexual penetration by foreign object and first-degree burglary, person present.

Case GA096423 includes an allegation that the defendant used a knife. Deputy District Attorney Melanie Buccat is the assigned prosecutor.

Rios is scheduled to be arraigned this afternoon in Department 1 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Glendale Branch.

On June 4, Rios is accused of breaking into the home and assaulting the 38-year-old woman at knifepoint, the prosecutor said. When she managed to scream for help, her adult son woke up and stopped the attack, the prosecutor added.

The recommended bail for Rios is more than \$1.3 million.

The defendant faces a possible maximum sentence of 25 years to life in state prison if convicted as charged.

The case remains under investigation by the Glendale Police Department.

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